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Re Patent Application of

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For: NARROW BAND EXCIMER LASER
WITH A PRISM-GRATING AS LINE-
NARROWING OPTICAL ELEMENT

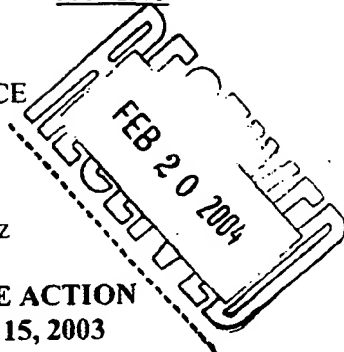
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In response to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2003, and in conjunction with
Applicants' request for a one-month extension of time, Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this
paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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